side wall of the at least one cosmetic pan and a top surface of the outer flange of the at least cosmetic pan respectively.

- 17. A cosmetic compact according to claim 14, wherein a side outer surface of the outer flange, a lower outer surface of the outer flange, an outer surface near a bottom end of the sidewall of the at least cosmetic pan and an outer surface of the lower wall of the cosmetic pan abut corresponding inner surfaces of the shock absorbing member.
- 18. A cosmetic compact according to claim 1, wherein the at least one cosmetic pan may be attached to the at least one well by a glue, a friction tight fitment or any other attaching means known in the art.
- 19. A process for assembling the base assembly of the cosmetic compact according to claim 1, the process comprising:
 - securely receiving the shock absorbing member in a cavity of the base;
 - securing the at least one cosmetic pan to the at least one well of the shock absorbing member; and
 - mounting the frame over the base to retain the at least one cosmetic pan within the base.
- 20. A cosmetic compact according to claim 1, wherein the shock absorbing member is made of a flexible material and wherein the shock absorbing member is made of a material selected from a group consisting of plastic or elastomeric material, such as, for example, rubber, styrene, acetal, polyethylene, polypropylene.

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